

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
CULTURE  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:6  
ANSWERED ON:15.11.2007  
REGIONAL SCIENCE CENTRE PILIKULA MANGALORE  
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**Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Karnataka Govt. has decided to set up a Regional Science Centre at Pilikula, Mangalore, Dakshin Kannada District and an extent of 25 acres of land has been provided by the District Administration for establishing such centre and the State Govt. has also released 50% of its equity share of Rs. 3.25 crores;
- (b) if so, whether the Union Government has released its equity share of Rs. 3.25 crore in lump-sum; and
- (c) the time by which the final decision is likely to be taken ?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TOURISM AND CULTURE (SMT. AMBIKA SONI)

(a) to (c): A proposal to set up Regional Science Centre at Pilikula, Mangalore has been received. Due to resource constraints and keeping in view the fact that setting up of one Science Centre at Dharwad in Karnataka State has already been initiated during the current financial year 2007-08, it has not been possible to include the proposed project at Pilikula in the work programme of National Council of Science Museums for the year 2007-08.